



## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT District of Minnesota

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### **WARNING: Bogus Phone Calls on Jury Service May Lead to Fraud**

In various parts of the United States, including Minnesota, citizens are being targeted by phone calls and threatened with prosecution for failing to comply with jury service in federal or state courts.

In the calls, the threat of a fine for shirking jury service is used to coerce those called into providing confidential data, potentially leading to identity theft and fraud. These calls are not from real court officials.

Federal courts do not require anyone to provide any sensitive information in a telephone call. Most contact between a federal court and a prospective juror will be through the U.S. Mail, and any phone contact by real court officials will not include requests for social security numbers, credit card numbers, or any other sensitive information.

Jury duty is a vital civic responsibility and should be taken seriously by all citizens. However, it is a crime for anyone to falsely represent himself or herself as a federal court official. The federal judiciary takes seriously such an offense.

Persons receiving such a telephone call should not provide the requested information, and should notify the Jury Clerk in any Division of the District of Minnesota. The staff may be reached at the following phone numbers:

Minneapolis or St. Paul	612-664-5100 or 1-800-569-7653
Duluth or Fergus Falls	218-529-3506 or 1-800-240-7239